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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD Washington 25, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD ASSISTANTS

SUBJECT: Disposition of PSB D-21, "A National Psychological Strategy With Respect to Germany"

The following recommendations on disposition of PSB D-21 are submitted for your consideration and early action:

- 1. That PSB D-21 be dropped from the weekly status report, and that the working group be abolished.
- 2. That PSB D-21 continue available as guidance to the departments and agencies affected, and to OCB working groups where applicable, until superseded by new NSC policy.
- 3. That the foregoing actions be reported to the Operations Coordinating Board:

Discussion: The above recommendations are based on the staff view that PSB D-21, which was issued in final form as of October 9, 1952, is a fully matured paper which no longer requires active coordination for effective implementation. The forthcoming NSC paper on Germany will provide more current and complete guidance. Meanwhile, however, PSB D-21 contains some useful guidance which can be drawn on by the departments and agencies for current operations.

If this view can be agreed to at the Board Assistants level it would seem unnecessary to assign D-21 to any working group for further study.

Elmer B. Staats Executive Officer

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